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SUBJECT: FRENCH CONTACT WITH DRV AMBASSADOR

1. QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ASIA BOLLE TOLD EMBOFF JANUARY 23 THAT HE HAD SEEN DRV AMBASSADOR VO VAN SUNG VERY RECENTLY. SUNG SAID THAT THE DRV THOUGHT THE SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM WAS VERY DISTURBING. AS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S STATEMENT, SUNG WAS VERY HARSH ON US ACTIONS IN VIETNAM.

2. BOLLE THOUGHT THAT SUNG'S REMARKS WERE THE RESULT OF DRV CONCERN ABOUT A POSSIBLE INCREASE OF US INTERVENTION IN SOUTH VIETNAM. BOLLE SAID THAT THE FRENCH CONSIDER THAT THE VIETNAM PROBLEM BOILS DOWN TO A DISPUTE OVER THE APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 13 (ARMED FORCES) AND ARTICLE 11 (NATIONAL RECONCILIATION) OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. WHILE HOLDING THAT THE GVN HAS THE RIGHT TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE DRV LACK OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CEASEFIRE AND OTHER MILITARY PROVISIONS, THE GOF ALSO THINKS THAT THE DRV AND PRG HAVE GROUNDS FOR COMPLAINT ABOUT THE GVN'S BASIC RELUCTANCE TO IMPLEMENT IN GOOD FAITH THE POLITICAL PROVISIONS.
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